

Draft Board Meeting Minutes
3:00 – 5:00 pm, Tuesday, December 14, 2021

Welcome & Roll Call: Tim Matlick, Erin Kane, Pat Donovan, Nicole Wetzell, Kim Sia and David Singer joined in person. Chad Miller, Arkan Haile, Casey McComsey, Dale Chu, Rosemary Rodriguez, and Karega Rausch joined via Zoom.

Dan Schaller, Teresa Tate, Mark Heffner, Peter Mason and Angelina Sierra-Sandoval participated in person as staff.

Call to Order: Tim called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

Pat made a motion to approve the agenda & October minutes. Alison seconded. They were approved unanimously.

Finance Committee Update:

Kim shared that finances are looking good and we've had some unexpected funds come in. She shared the summary from the auditor: There were no findings on the audit, but the auditor is suggesting some additional clean up on the bank signature card. The auditor also shared that 89% of our operating funds are used on programming, which exceeds the industry norm of 75%, which is impressive. Mark shared updates on the bank signature card resolution.

Stakeholder Committee Update:

David welcomed Karega and shared appreciations with the Stakeholder Committee for taking the time to have an effective process to fill the board seats. Teresa shared an overview of the open board seats for the coming elections and year. There are 2 elected seats open, of which both Tim & David are eligible to run again. She also shared an overview of the election timeline. There will be 3 appointed seats open for 22-23, of which Dale & Rosemary are eligible for a second term. Arkan will be termed out and will need to be replaced. David shared that the stakeholder committee will begin work in January to prioritize current board needs for the next appointed seat.

Governmental Affairs Committee Update:

Dan shared an overview of the process for developing the legislative agenda and which stakeholders are engaged. He then shared an overview of this year's legislative agenda. Dan and Angelina shared which legislators are backing each initiative. The board shared some thoughts on areas to keep an eye on through the process.

Kim made a motion to approved the legislative agenda as presented. Erin seconded. It was approved unanimously with David abstaining as he was not present for the vote.

Executive Committee Update:

Tim shared the committee's discussion on Dan's new performance goals. The committee decided to shift the goals to "inputs" rather than "outputs" to allow for areas where the League has greater control.

Staff Report:

Mark shared an overview of membership dues for this year. We currently have 235 of 266 schools as members = 88.35%, however we have a few dues in process that will likely bring us to 91% membership.

Pete shared a PR Recap report of publications for the year.

Pete shared an update on annual conference registrations. He shared we are about 240 registrations behind our norm for an in-person event. He said this is likely due to hesitation in people signing up awaiting COVID progress.

Pete shared that the League is going through a re-branding process to update the logo this spring in preparation for our 30 year anniversary.

Discussion Items:

Dan shared a recap of the League's Board retreat in October. Tim shared that the Executive Committee discussed how to keep these topics alive and part of our ongoing work. Dan shared that we'll focus on the initial 3 next steps and provide a potential structure to the board at a following meeting for continued development. Pat shared that the 3rd action step around growth of high-quality schools will be especially important with the release of news from Bloomberg.

Dan shared updates from recent conversations with Great Education Colorado to bring more funding to education.

League / CLCS Action Alignment:

Lang Sias, Polly Lawrence and Rosemary Rodriguez (Rosemary representing both boards) virtually joined the meeting on behalf of the CLCS Action Board at 4:13 pm. Cole Wist and Greg Hatcher were absent.

Dan shared a post-election recap with both boards.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the meeting was called for by Tim. Pat made the motion, it was seconded by David. The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 5:05 pm.

Next Meeting: The next regular meeting of the League board will be February 15th.